

TAG DAY HELPS  
ORPHAN ASYLUM

About \$500 Raised in Petersburg  
on Saturday for This  
Cause.

## DISCUSSION OF POLITICS

Rifle Ball Hits Negro and Is  
Flattened Against His  
Skull.

Times-Dispatch Bureau,  
109 North Sycamore Street,  
Petersburg, Va., November 29.  
The sales of tags on Saturday for the  
benefit of the orphan asylum realized a  
very gratifying result. This is not  
sufficient to pay on the indebtedness  
of the asylum, but it will go very far  
towards that end, and the good people  
of Petersburg will furnish what is  
needed.

The congregation of the Second Pres-  
byterian Church, in this city, has made  
an offering of \$300 to the fund for re-  
building the cottage recently destroyed  
by fire at the Presbyterian Orphanage  
at Lynchburg, in which several lives  
were lost, and the Old Street Sunday  
school has contributed \$50 for the same  
purpose.

Forecasting the Result.  
The four candidates for the Demo-  
cratic congressional nomination in  
this district have warm friends here, and  
forecasts of the result of the January  
primary are freely made. Subject, of  
course, to amendment. The four-cen-  
tred contest is creating a great deal  
of interest, destined to grow in inten-  
sity as the campaign progresses. But  
forecasts at this early stage are really  
unreliable. The district is a large  
one, comprising an area of twelve  
counties, extending from Surry, on the  
east, to Prince Edward, on the west,  
and from Dinwiddie out to the North  
Carolina line. The canvass has  
only just begun in earnest.

Shot by Unseen Hand.  
Robert Ruffin, colored, was engaged  
Saturday afternoon in hauling a  
load of coal from a vessel at the wharf  
on the city side of the river, when  
something struck him on the top of  
the head and for the moment com-  
pletely dazed him. Believing that some  
one had thrown a lump of coal at him  
or had accidentally dropped a piece on  
him, he called out to those about him  
to stop throwing. Finding himself wound-  
ed and bleeding, Ruffin went to a phys-  
ician, who examined him and found that  
a rifle ball had flattened against the  
skull. Somebody had fired a rifle from  
across the river in Chesterfield county,  
and the spent ball had struck Ruffin  
squarely on the head as he was stand-  
ing in a leaning position. Fortunately  
the wound is not serious.

New Mining Corporation.  
The certificate of incorporation of the  
"Mecklenburg Mica and Mining  
Company," the principal office of which  
is in Petersburg, has been filed for  
record here. The maximum capital is  
\$50,000, and the officers are: Thomas  
S. Thacker, president; Charles E.  
Smith, vice-president; James E. Thack-  
er, secretary; Richard F. Dyer, treas-  
urer; Raymond M. Hudson, of Norfolk,  
general counsel. The purposes are to  
own and operate mica and feldspar  
mines, etc., and the corporation is al-  
lowed to own 50,000 acres of land.

Progress of Laymen's Movement.  
In this city is now on a solid, active  
basis, and well organized along the  
lines adopted by other cities of the  
country. An executive committee of  
representative men from each church  
in the city has been appointed, with  
James P. Banks as chairman; Walter  
Sparklin, vice-chairman; Dr. F. L.  
Talley, treasurer, and A. D. Hamilton,  
secretary. A pastors' co-operative  
committee, with the Rev. J. B. Bos-  
man as chairman, has also been ap-  
pointed, and these committees are  
busily at work and are reporting ex-  
cellent success.

General News.  
Eugene Alley, a well-known young  
man of this city, was taken down in  
Waverly this morning to answer the  
charge of uttering threats to a  
woman. He was arrested by police  
officers. Two negroes were arrested by rail-  
road detectives at Dunlop's Station, in  
Chesterfield county, Saturday night, on  
suspicion of being thieves. They were  
brought to this city, and while being  
marched along Sycamore Street, one of  
them escaped from the officer. He was  
chased by a number of people, but  
gained his freedom by dodging  
through dark alleys and culverts.

In a dispute between Edward Mun-  
day and William Parkinson, railroad  
employees, Saturday night, the latter  
was struck on the head with a piece of  
iron. Munday was fined \$15 and  
costs in the police court this morning.

The several councils of Junior Order  
of Mechanics held their annual Thanks-  
giving service in Wesley Methodist  
Episcopal Church last night, the ser-  
mon being preached by the past  
Rev. Mr. Haynes.

Rufus Rainey accidentally fell down  
the stairway at his residence on Wythe  
street last night and sustained con-  
siderable injuries.

Mrs. Elizabeth Gilliam, who died at  
her home in Richmond last night,  
leaves a number of relatives here. The  
body will be brought to Petersburg  
for burial in Blandford Cemetery to-  
morrow afternoon.

Suffers Serious Accident.  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
ABINGDON, VA., November 29.—  
Theophilus Chipp, one of the most  
prominent farmers in the county, and  
a veteran of the First Virginia Cav-  
alry, was thrown from a wagon to-  
day and had a hip broken and suffered  
other injuries. His condition is con-  
sidered serious.

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Appointments Read by  
Bishop.

## PLANS FOR WOMAN'S COLLEGE

Dr. Henry Van Dyke Will Be  
Invited to Make Address  
in Raleigh.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
RALEIGH, N. C., November 29.—The North Carolina Methodist Episcopal Conference finished its seventy-third annual session at 1 o'clock to-day, with the reading of the appointments by Bishop Whitely. The especially notable ones are: Raleigh, R. B. Johnson, presiding elder; Edenton Street Church, Rev. H. M. North; Central, Rev. A. D. Wilcox; Durham, R. C. Beatty, presiding elder; Trinity, G. E. Adams, Fayetteville, J. T. Gibbs, presiding elder; Hay Street, L. E. Thompson; Rockingham, W. H. Moore, presiding elder; Station, Rev. E. H. Davis; Wilmington, W. L. Cunningham, presiding elder; Grace, T. A. Smoot; Fifth Street, K. D. Holmes; Newbern, R. L. Bumpas, presiding elder; Centenary, J. B. Hurley; Washington, A. McCullen, presiding elder; Station, W. M. Pyle; Warrenton, J. E. Underwood, presiding elder; Warrington, D. N. Calhoun; Henderson, R. C. Craven; Weldon, S. E. Mercer; Roanoke Rapids, W. A. Polard; Elizabeth City, R. H. Brown, presiding elder; Station, D. N. Calhoun.

The conference, by unanimous vote, received for active ministerial service Rev. L. N. Booth. At the same time this obligation was given to Rev. George W. Staniel, who comes to the work of this conference from the Methodist Protestant Church.

Plans for Woman's College.  
Definite steps looking to the estab-

lishment of a woman's college of high grade in Raleigh, to be operated under the control of the conference, was taken through the adoption of a report from the special committee on this subject, reporting through Rev. A. P. Tyler. The report, carried with it the appointment of a commission to establish the college. Composing the commission are: J. G. Brown, J. F. Bruton, R. B. Johnson, George F. Smith, H. M. North, J. N. Cole and J. S. Wynne, the latter being Mayor of Raleigh.

The conference approved Rev. C. B. Culbreth a student at Vanderbilt University.

The report of the board of education was read by Rev. L. S. Massey, carrying the usual appropriations, and appointing Rev. A. Parker as financial agent for Louisville Female College, which received \$1,000 appropriation, the same as last year.

The report of the conference board of finance was presented by Rev. J. A. Hornaday, covering all the finances of the conference, and recommending \$1,000 increase for the coming year in the appropriation for superannuates, widows and orphans. It contained also a resolution requiring all ministers of the conference to file their reports by the second day of the conference. The report was adopted.

The report of the board of missions, read by Rev. R. H. Willis, showed steady progress, and that only twelve appointments out of the 135 failed to pay in full. Total raised for foreign missions was \$12,341.73. R. H. Willis was reappointed missionary secretary.

Reports by Rev. N. H. D. Wilson, of district conferences, and by Rev. D. H. Tuttle, for the board of church extension were adopted.

Many delegates appointed.

If anything like the number of delegates that have been commissioned by Governor Kitchin attend the National Rivers and Harbors Congress, Washington, D. C., December 8 to 10, North Carolina will be especially well represented, there being something like 150 designated for this State, with Major E. J. Hale, of Fayetteville, named as chairman of the delegation.

Want Dr. Henry Van Dyke.  
Dr. Henry Van Dyke is to be the speaker for the special address next year, in connection with the annual meeting of the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association, if the executive committee recently appointed by President Platts, of the honor of the association, can prevail on this distinguished gentleman to honor the association with his presence at that time. The first meeting of the executive committee since its appointment by Justice Walker has just been held.

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with Colonel J. Bryan Grimes, Dr. D. H. Hill, Dr. W. L. Potter, Justice P. D. Walker and Secretary Clarence H. Poe present. The committee also invited Dr. Edwin Mims to prepare a paper on the subject that appeals to him, and Editor Josephus Daniels, of the News and Observer, to present a paper on the significance of Nathaniel Bacon's work.

Dr. D. H. Hill was reappointed as chairman of the committee on bibliography, required in connection with the awards of the Patterson cup. Dr. J. G. de Rouillac Hamilton was designated chairman of a committee to push in all parts of the State the formation of literary and historical societies to work in conjunction with the State association.

Rev. H. Bate as chairman, and W. A. Montgomery, Armistead Burwell, Theo. P. Davidson, T. J. Jarvis and Eugene S. Martin were named as a committee to prepare for a statue of Vance in Statuary Hall, Washington, for which an appropriation is available in January, 1911.

STEAMER ASHORE  
NEAR HATTERAS

Captain and Crew Rescued, But  
Ship Will Probably Be  
Lost.

NORFOLK, VA., November 29.—The German steamer Brewster, bound for New York with a cargo from Jamaica and Cuban ports, was stranded last night in fourteen feet of water about six miles inside the Diamond Shoals lightship, just south of Cape Hatteras. The vessel is in a precarious position. The combined forces of the Greed's Hill, Cape Hatteras and Hatteras Inlet life saving stations succeeded in landing at noon to-day Captain Hill and twenty-eight members of the crew who remained aboard the Brewster, only four members of the crew having left the steamer during last night, and boarded the Diamond Shoals lightship. No one was lost, and all but the four men on the lightship are now being cared for at Cape Hatteras.

The revenue cutter Onandaga and the outer Seminoles, at Wilmington, N. C., will be sent to the assistance of the stranded vessel.

With the weather growing thick, increasing seas and a strong northwesterly storm, the chances of saving the Brewster were late to-day considered poor. Her immediate condition remains good, and there is no water in her, but the approaching storm brings danger that makes the saving of the steamer appear unlikely.

The Brewster, which is a small steamer of 331 tons net register, and owned by H. L. Schmitt, of Hamburg, called from Kingston, Nova Scotia, for New York, calling at Cuban ports on the way north.

Fisherman Drowned.  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
CHINCOTEAGUE, VA., November 29.—Burton Beebe, forty years of age, a fisherman, was drowned in Hog Island Bay Saturday morning. He was out clammeling in a small boat, and it is believed the boat was upset in some unknown manner and the occupant thrown into the bay. No one saw the accident. His body was found adrift by Captain Barrett, and sent to his home at this place. He was a brother of Thomas Beebe, a merchant of Chincoteague. He is survived by a widow, one daughter and seven sons.

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